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Applicant

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For

DEVICE FOR AUTOMATICALLY EMPTYING A BULK

CONTAINER -

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Examiner

: N/A

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the first Office Action, kindly amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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Line 1, delete "Description";

Before Line 2, insert -- BACKGROUND OF THE

INVENTION - -;

Before Line 25, insert -- SUMMARY OF THE

INVENTION - -;

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Before Line 3, insert -- BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE

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Before Line 7, insert -- DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF

THE INVENTION --.